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Honorable John D. Dingell Chairman, Committee on Energy and Commerce House of Representatives 2125 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is in reply to your letter of May 3, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of your constituent, Robert E. Kane, regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, \$7 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

You are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

I am, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. However, your concerns will be taken into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, I remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

Thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your letter will be included in the record of the proceeding. I expect final rules to be issued within the next several months.

Sincerely,

James H. Quello

Chairman

Enclosures

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The Honorable James H. Quello Chairman Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Quello:

I recently received the attached letter concerning the

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From: Robert Kane 902 River Court Wyandotte, MI 48192

April 16, 1993

Mr. Dingell,

I have been active in radio controlled (RC) airplanes for many years and want to express my concern for the proposed changes contained in the Federal Communications Commission PR Docket 92-235, which proposes to allocate new channels for mobile use in the 72-76mhz band, right on top of, or very close to the existing area reserved for RC use. As I understand it, although the proposed allocations do not fall exactly on RC frequencies, the bandwidth tolerances allowed for the new proposal would cause interference in the RC band. Such interference could cause the loss of control of an airplane, resulting in at least the loss of the plane and at worst property damage and injury. The mobile nature of the equipment allowed in the proposed changes would make it impossible to avoid. Safety consciousness is a prime factor when operating model airplanes, and I take every step possible to prevent a loss due to equipment failure. But I cannot predict where or when I might encounter interference if the proposed changes are put into effect. I have over one thousand dollars invested in radio control equipment, planes, and engines, and feel the proposed changes are an injustice to me and those who enjoy radio control modeling. There must be other options available to increase mobile service without jeopardizing the existing RC band.

Thank You,

Robert E. Kane

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